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**PATENT**  
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In re application of:

Kouji ARAI et al.

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Replicating Data

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### REQUEST FOR STATUS

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Sir:

A review of the above file indicates that no action has been received since our Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment was granted on May 17, 2006. The Petitions Office indicated "The Technology Center will be notified of this decision. The Technology Center's support staff will mail a new Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, as well as a copy of the Notice of Allowability. The three-month non-extendable time period for paying the issue and publication fees will be set to run from the mailing date of the Notice." To date, no newly-issued Notice of Allowance has been received by counsel for Assignee. Please advise the undersigned when a Notice of Allowance will be reissued in the above-identified patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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